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SUBJ: MARCOS MAY MEET WITH SUHARTO AND LEE KUAN YEW

1. DURING CALL WHICH SENATOR JOHNSTON MADE ON PRESIDENT MARCOS MORNING JANUARY 2, PRESIDENT INFORMED ME THAT HE WOULD PROBABLY BE MEETING WITH "SOME" OF HIS NEIGHBORING CHIEF OF STATE PRIOR TO ASEAN SUMMIT. IN SUBSEQUENT CONVERSATIONS WITH FONSEC ROMULO, AS WELL AS SINGAPORE AND INDONESIAN AMBASSADORS, I HAVE LEARNED THAT "CHIEFS OF STATE" IN QUESTION ARE PRESIDENT SUHARTO AND PRIME MINISTER LEE KUAN YEW.

2. ROMULO SAID THAT SUHARTO'S RECUPERATION FROM GALL BLADDER OPERATION MADE IT DUBIOUS HE COULD TRAVEL OUTSIDE JAKARTA IN NEAR FUTURE. SINGAPORE AMBASSADOR SAID IT WAS BEING TENTATIVELY SUGGESTED THAT MARCOS WOULD MAKE A "WEEK-END SWING" TO SINGAPORE AND JAKARTA IN THE NEXT COUPLE OF WEEKS.

3. SINGAPORE AMBASSADOR ALSO SAID, HOWEVER, THAT LEE
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WAS PREPARED COME TO MANILA IF TRAVEL BY MARCOS PROVED

IMPRACTICAL. HE SAID LEE WAS ANXIOUS TO DISCUSS ASEAN
ECONOMIC PROGRAMS, ESPECIALLY HIS IDEAS FOR "COMMON
MARKET."
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